DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 71

[Airspace Docket No. 99–ACE–34]

Amendment to Class E Airspace; Kansas City, MO

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration [FAA], DOT.

ACTION: Final rule; correction.

SUMMARY: This action corrects an error in the study number of a final rule that was published in the **Federal Register** on September 13, 1999 (64 FR 49376), Airspace Docket No. 98–ACE–34.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 4, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kathyy Randolph, Air Traffic Division, Airspace Branch, ACE–520C, Federal Aviation Administration, 601 E. 12th Street, Kansas City, MO 64106; telephone: (816) 426–3408.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

History

Federal Register Document 99–23725, Airspace Docket No. 98–ACE–34, published in September 13, 1999 (64 FR 49376), revised the description of the Class E airspace area at Kansas City, MO. An error was noted in the study number of Kansas City, MO. This action corrects that error.

Corrections to Final Rule

Accordingly, pursuant to the authority delegated to me, the study number, Airspace Docket No. 98–ACE–34 for Kansas City, MO, as published in the **Federal Register** on September 13, 1999 (64 FR 49376), (**Federal Register** Document 99–23725, page 49376, Column 1), is corrected as follows:

By removing study number [Airspace Docket No. 98–ACE–34] and substituting [Airspace Docket No. 99–ACE–34].

Issued in Kansas City, MO, on September 22, 1999.

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Manager, Air Traffic Division Central Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Customs Service

19 CFR Part 122

[T.D. 99–71]

RIN 1515–AC51

Flights To and From Cuba

AGENCY: U.S. Customs Service, Department of the Treasury.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This document amends the Customs Regulations to provide that aircraft and passengers departing the U.S. for, or entering the U.S. from, Cuba must depart or enter through either the John F. Kennedy International Airport, Jamaica, New York; the Los Angeles International Airport, Los Angeles, California; or the Miami International Airport, Miami, Florida. At present, such aircraft and passengers may depart or enter only through the Miami International Airport. The change is in accordance with a statement by the President that direct passenger flights would be authorized between Cuba and some cities in the U.S. besides Miami, in order to facilitate licensed travel to and from Cuba, including family reunification for Cuban resident aliens and U.S. citizens of Cuban heritage living in U.S. cities other than Miami. To this end, the Department of State and the National Security Council have specifically directed that direct charter passenger flights by persons that possess a valid Office of Foreign Assets Control Carrier Service Provider authorization may operate between Cuba and the two additional U.S. airports.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 4, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Margaret R. Fearon, Office of Field Operations, 202–927–0494.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

In part 122, Customs Regulations, subpart O, consisting of §§ 122.151–122.158 (19 CFR 122.151–122.158), sets forth special Customs procedures that apply to all aircraft except public aircraft that depart or enter the U.S. to or from Cuba.

In particular, § 122.153, Customs Regulations (19 CFR 122.153), provides that unless otherwise authorized by the Assistant Commissioner, Field Operations, Customs Headquarters, the owner or person in command of an aircraft clearing the U.S. for, or entering from, Cuba, must clear or obtain permission to depart from, or enter at, the Miami International Airport, Miami, Florida.

In addition, § 122.154, Customs Regulations (19 CFR 122.154), requires that the person in command of the aircraft furnish advance notice of arrival at least one hour before crossing the U.S. coast or border. The notice must be given either through the Federal Aviation Administration flight notification procedure or directly to the Customs officer in charge at the Miami International Airport.

Flights Between Cuba and Additional Cities in the U.S.

In a statement issued on January 5, 1999, the President announced a series of humanitarian measures designed to reach out to and ease the plight of the Cuban people, and to help them prepare for a democratic future. As one of these measures, the President authorized the restoration of flights between Cuba and some cities in the U.S. in addition to Miami. The purpose of this measure is to facilitate licensed travel to and from Cuba, including family reunification for Cuban resident aliens and U.S. citizens of Cuban heritage living in U.S. cities other than Miami.

To this end, the Department of State and the National Security Council have specifically directed that direct charter passenger flights by persons that possess a valid Office of Foreign Assets Control Carrier Service Provider authorization may operate between Cuba and two additional U.S. airports—the John F. Kennedy International Airport in Jamaica, New York, and the Los Angeles International Airport in Los Angeles, California.

Accordingly, §§ 122.153 and 122.154 are amended to reflect that flights between Cuba and the U.S. will be permitted at these two additional U.S. airports.

Inapplicability of Notice and Delayed Effective Date Requirements, the Regulatory Flexibility Act and Executive Order 12866

Pursuant to the provisions of 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(1), public notice and comment procedure is not applicable to this rule because the rule falls within the foreign affairs function of the United States. In this regard, as noted, the rule implements a January 5, 1999, announcement by the President that direct passenger flights would be authorized to and from Cuba and other U.S. cities in addition to Miami, as part of a humanitarian effort designed to reach out to and ease the plight of the Cuban people, and to help them prepare for a democratic future. The Department of State and the National Security Council have specifically directed that passenger flights be permitted between